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HAYSVILLE USD261

The mission of the Haysville Public Schools is to advance learning for all through the relentless pursuit of excellence.

OATVILLE MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of Oatville Elementary School community is to build successful lifelong learners.

NOVEMBER

Calendar Notes

4th—Picture Re-takes at 1:30 in Commons
5th— Papa John's Pizza Day
9th-13th— Student Council Food Drive
11th— PTA Meeting @ 5:15 pm—teacher's lounge
11th – VETERANS' DAY
15th – 21st— AMERICAN EDUCATION WEEK
16th— Site Council Mtg.
17th—All School Dental Checks
19th— Para-Educator Appreciation Day
19th— PTA Skate Party
24th— 3rd Grade to City Arts
25th—27th NO SCHOOL-THANKSGIVING BREAK



December Events

2nd—Band and Orchestra Concert in Oatville Commons at 2pm
4th—Donuts for Dad in the Commons 7:30 a.m.
15th— Oatville Christmas Program for 3-5 grades at Campus Auditorium at 6 pm
18th—Christmas parties for students

NOTE FROM THE PRINCIPAL



The Oatville student council has been designated as a local Junior Red Cross Club; focusing on both school and community service. As one of the projects, the **students and staff will be honoring our Veterans on Nov. 11th through classroom activities, projects, and having veterans speak to the students in their classrooms. We are asking parents to write a note (on the attached stars) about a family member or friend in the service or who has served their country in the military either in the past or presently in the service.** These will be placed on a hallway bulletin board for all to see. If you have a relative who would like to talk to students about their service in the military, please contact the office or your child's teacher. Thank you parents for supporting our efforts. Our Thanksgiving food drive will run Nov. 8-13. **Also note, that during American Education week, Nov. 16-20th, parents or grandparents are invited to join their child for lunch one day during the week. For reservations, please contact the kitchen manager at 554-2307.**

H1N1 Vaccine

A note was sent home with students on Monday regarding the H1N1 vaccination which will be offered to students in the district. It must be returned by Friday, Oct. 30 to participate.

PTA Fund Raiser

Thank you students and parents for your participation and help in our fund raiser this year. **Please note that the Big Bash Party has been scheduled for the afternoon of Nov. 6th.** To participate in the Big Bash party and to receive prizes, the money for products must be collected and turned in to the office before Friday. Also, please return any items that were damaged or undeliverable before Friday. Again, students will receive their prizes after all the fund raiser money has been collected and returned to the office.

BUILDING CHARACTER THROUGH RESPONSIBILITY



October was a busy month in which students are learning fire and bus safety, and the dangers of drugs. These are all ways students can understand why it is important to be responsible with their behaviors. Here are a few tips to encourage responsibility in children:

Provide consequences for negative behaviors.

Explain why rules/laws exist and why they must be followed.

Allow a child to have a specific chore/task that he/she is in charge of each week.

Praise a child when he/she does a task without being told to do it. The more we model responsible behaviors, the more our children will want to mirror those behaviors.

Support Oatville School Help Us Raise Money for Bully Prevention Shirts and PRIDE Prizes!



What: Selling Enjoy the City coupon book for \$20. Full of savings on a variety of food, entertainment, and services. Maximum value of the book is over \$2500. Oatville will receive a profit of 50% from the sale of each book.

Why: Funds will be used to pay for the recent **all-school STOP Bullying T-Shirts and PRIDE prizes for the student drawings.** If enough books are sold, it will also be used to offset the costs of field trips during the school year and to purchase technology items for the classrooms.

When: Books will be sent home Nov. 4th and should be sold or returned.

PTA Papa John's Pizza DAY

Order Pizza from Papa John's Pizza on Thursday, November 5th to help raise money for Oatville Elementary PTA. Just mention that you are from Oatville and Papa John's will donate 15% of all the sales to the school.



OATVILLE KIDS SAY "NO" TO DRUGS

During Red Ribbon Week, Oatville students welcomed into their classrooms Oatville Principal Pat Yorgensen and Counselor Vicki Barton for special Drug-Free education and activities. They reviewed the history and purpose of this week, learning that the Red Ribbon campaign originated when Federal Agent Enrique Camarena died at the hands of drug traffickers in 1985. This year's adopted theme was "Reach for the Stars—Stay Drug Free." Ask your child about staying drug free.



District Wellness Plan

As you are probably aware, the Haysville School District adopted a wellness plan to improve the health and well-being of our students. A special thank you to all the parents and to our PTA for supporting this effort to make parties and celebrations for students to include more healthy choices. The fall parties were great with many creative ideas for following the wellness guidelines and suggestions. As a reminder, parents are asked to assist by following guidelines for providing healthy items in their child's sack lunch as well as healthy snacks for parties and special occasions. While parties are a time to celebrate, providing healthy items can still be fun.



All School Dental Screening

USD 261 will be providing a free dental screening to all Oatville students in Pre-K-5th Nov. 17th at Oatville.

The screening will be provided at no charge. Should you have questions or concerns about the screening please contact Mary Carr, the district RN at 554-2200. Results of the screening will be sent home in Wednesday folders.

OATVILLE STARS



The following students were presented with an Oatville Shining Stars Award. For showing Oatville PRIDE (Preparation, Respect, Integrity, Discipline, Excellence) Congratulations to: Reece Bressler, Rylie Hall, V-Thoon Thanasouk, Madison Jones, Dale Smyser, Conner Alder, Nikita Colangelo, Olivia McNeal, Dylan Childers, Allena Kates, Lauryn Creighton, Karrington Weber, Nikki Goforth, Ryan Manganiello, Gabbie Shetlar, Mehdi Al-Amood, Aubrey McKnight, Sydney Craig, Bailey Dickerson, Andrea Paul, Kaden Clemens, Brooke Snell, Carter Overman, Megan Porter, Justin Southerland, Nicholas Hadsell, Haley Hephner, Alexis Williams, Madison Cooley, Trenton Ivey, Emily Kimber, Cody Overman, Hannah Adkins, Tilly Lam, Kaleigh Black, Zach Bowen, Chad Grivette, Sabrina Coleman, Kelsi Fenlason, Luke Bowen, Brendan Winkel, Dalton Rogers, Martha Sanchez, Abby Acosta, Hannah Sweaney, Hunter Allen, Cloie Olson, Alyssa Kates, Caleb Fowlkes, Hailey Southerland, Kinzie Hall, Alec Hinojos, Brendan Simon, Saige Bryce, Michelle Kha, Seth Falley, Zachary Dorton, Colten Polston, Emily George, Hunter Cardenas, Aisaac Keomanyvong, Savana Sanders, KJ Kohlhorst, Andrea Paul, Kaden Clemens, Brooke Snell, Carter Overman, Megan Porter, Justin Southerland, Nicholas Hadsell, Haley Hephner, Alexis Williams, and Madison Cooley.

PTA SKATE PARTY

The PTA is planning a school party at Roller City on Thursday, Nov. 19th from 4:15 to 6:00 p.m. The cost of Skating is \$4.00 per person with the student being transported to the rink by the school bus.



PLEASE BE SURE TO COME INSIDE THE RINK TO CHECK YOUR CHILD OUT BETWEEN 6:00 TO 6:15 P.M. We like to keep track of students and who picks them up. The PTA is always in need of parents who can help supervise at the rink and on the bus. Please call Christina Snell@529-3212. Permission slips and reminder flyers will be sent home prior to the event. Also remember that the money to go skating and spending money for snacks must be sent in separate envelopes. Please do not put the permission slip in the envelope with the money. **Also, please note that no older children (siblings) are allowed at Oatville Skating parties unless supervised by their parent. This assures for a safe and fun time for our Oatville boys and girls.**

Parking Lot Concerns



Parents and guests must not leave their cars parked in the fire lane along the north or east entrances of the school. Staff have been courteous enough to park on the north end of the lot to leave the parking spaces closest to the building open for guests. Since Pre-K parents are asked to walk their small children to class, there have been occasions when parents park in the fire lane to make a quick trip into the building, leaving their vehicle unattended. Parking in the fire lane is a violation of both the fire and police departments. It also creates a safety issue for our students when parents leave their vehicles running unattended. Again, please do not park in the fire lane and leave your vehicle unattended. **Also, please do not park in the handicapped spaces unless you have a handicapped placard or license tag. We have parents and students who need these places for their convenience due to limited mobility.**